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EXPORT OF BRASS ARTICLES
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantum of brass articles exported during the last three years;

(b) the foreign exchange earned therefrom during the said period; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to boost the export of brass articles?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR)

(a) & (b): The Quantum of export of brass articles is not available. However, the total export of Art-metalwares which primarily consist of brass ware during the last three years and the foreign exchange earned therefrom is as under:-

Sl.No.	Year	Exports of Artmetalware	Foreign Exchange earning
1.	1998-1999	1324.16 Crores	314.73 US Million $
2.	1999-2000	1497.18 Crores	345.51 US Million $
3.	2000-2001	1778.10 Crores	393.26 US Million $

(c): To boost the export of handicrafts, including brass wares, the steps taken include: organisation of buyer - seller`s meet; overseas publicity; organisation of workshops on design development; export marketing and packaging etc; participation in various international fairs; sponsoring of sales-cum-study teams abroad; setting up of National level design centre at Moradabad and New Delhi; and organisation of Indian Handicrafts and Gifts Fairs (Autumn and Spring) by Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts annually in New Delhi.